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GENERAL ACTION

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FCC RELEASES REPORT REGARDING REALLOCATION OF SPECTRUM FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The FCC today released a report to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Commerce regarding the Department's Preliminary Spectrum Reallocation Report (Preliminary Report).

On August 10, 1993, Congress adopted the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 (Reconciliation Act), which directed the Secretary of Commerce to identify at least 200 megahertz of spectrum currently allocated on a primary basis for Federal Government use, which is most likely to have the greatest potential for productive uses and public benefit if allocated for non-Federal use. On February 10, 1994, the Secretary of Commerce released a Preliminary Report produced by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) identifying 200 megahertz of spectrum for reallocation from Federal Government to private sector use. The public was then afforded an opportunity to comment on the Preliminary Report. The Reconciliation Act requires that, 90 days from the end of the public comment period, the Commission submit to the Secretary of Commerce an analysis of the public comments, along with any comments or recommendations it deems appropriate. The report released today satisfies this requirement. The Department of Commerce must now consider the public comments and the Commission's report and submit to the President and Congress by February 10, 1995, a final report identifying and recommending spectrum for reallocation.

In its report, the Commission concludes that the Department

of Commerce has complied with the reallocation criteria imposed by Congress. However, the Commission also believes that relatively minor changes to the reallocation plan presented in the Preliminary Report could provide even greater benefits to the public. The Commission notes that parties filing comments praised NTIA for its efforts, but stated that the proposals made in the Preliminary Report could be enhanced by some modifications to better satisfy the public's requirements.

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In addition to providing an analysis of the comments, the Commission's report provides a discussion of a supplemental spectrum reallocation plan that it believes will enhance the viability of the reallocated spectrum for commercial and local governmental use. In particular, the Commission recommends that in preparing its final report NTIA should seek to provide larger blocks of spectrum required to accommodate high volumes of communications and the wide bandwidths necessary to accommodate emerging technologies and transmit communications such as voice and video. It also notes that the private sector would benefit from blocks of spectrum that could be readily paired and used to accommodate emerging technologies such as mobile satellite service.

Action by the Commission August xx, 1994, by Report (FCC 94-///). Chairman , Commissioners

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FCC ANNOUNCES ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES

Chairman Reed E. Hundt today announced the Commission's intention to make the following organizational changes: create a Wireless Telecommunications Bureau; create an International Bureau; create an Office of Workplace Diversity; create a Competition Division in the Office of General Counsel; and move the Office of Small Business Activities out of the Office of Managing Director and have it report directly to the Commission.

Hundt first announced the changes in a 10:30 a.m. meeting with FCC employees in the Commission hearing room. That meeting was also broadcast over the Commission's internal television system.

"The two biggest organizational changes we propose today are the creation of a Wireless Telecommunications Bureau and an International Bureau," Hundt said. "My initial sense that a Wireless Bureau was necessary was confirmed by last week's phenomenally successful spectrum auctions. A Bureau dedicated to the mission of wireless services will ensure that we remain on track with the licensing of PCS and with other emerging technologies. In addition, the issues facing the communications industry are almost never without international implications. Our International Bureau will better meet the challenges ahead as the FCC continues its role in international telecommunications, working with the Department of State and NTIA in the promotion of the Global Information Infrastructure."

Hundt also noted that many of the organizational changes are the result of suggestions from employees made directly to the Chairman or to Mary Beth Richards, Special Counsel to the Commission for Reinventing Government. This includes, for example, the Office of Workplace Diversity, which will report directly to the Chairman and other Commissioners and will handle the Commission's internal EEO program.

"It is a very exciting time to be at the Commission," Hundt added. "The work we do is vital to American businesses, consumers and even to school children. It is my hope that the organizational changes we announce today will help us meet our goal of serving these customers with efficiency and excellence, in the public interest."

Chairman Hundt announced the Commission's intention to make the following appointments as part of the agency's reorganization plan:

Regina Keeney, Chief of the new Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. She

currently is the minority counsel for the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation.

Ralph A. Haller and Gerald P. Vaughan, Deputy Chiefs, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. Haller is the Chief of the Private Radio Bureau, while Vaughan is Deputy Chief of the Common Carrier Bureau.

Scott Blake Harris, Chief of the new International Bureau. Currently, he is the Chief of the Office of International Communications.

Roderick K. Porter, Deputy Chief, International Bureau. Porter is Deputy Chief of the Mass Media Bureau.

Anthony L. Williams will head the newly reorganized Office of Small Business Activities. He is the Vice President of W&J Management Company, Inc., which manages a group of telecommunication venture capital funds.

Thomas P. Stanley, reassigned as Chief Engineer from the Office of Engineering and Technology to the Office of Plans and Policy.

Richard M. Smith, Chief, Office of Engineering and Technology. He currently heads the Field Operations Bureau.

Beverly Baker, Chief, Field Operations Bureau. She will be reassigned from her current position as Deputy Chief of the Private Radio Bureau.

John Winston, Assistant Chief of the Field Operations Bureau. He currently serves as Chief of the Office of Small Business Activities within the Office of the Managing Director.

Kathleen M.H. Wallman, Chief of the Common Carrier Bureau. She will be reassigned from her position as Deputy Chief, Cable Services Bureau.

A. Richard Metzger, a Deputy Chief, Common Carrier Bureau. He has been serving as the Acting Chief of that Bureau.

Gregory J. Vogt, Deputy Chief, Cable Services Bureau. Vogt will be reassigned from his position as Chief of the Tariff Division, Common Carrier Bureau. William H. Johnson, Deputy Chief for Policy, Cable Services Bureau. Johnson is being reassigned from his position as Deputy Chief of the Mass Media Bureau.

Renee I. Licht, Deputy Chief, Mass Media Bureau. She is currently serving in that position on an acting basis.

James Olson, Chief of the newly created Competition Division in the Office of the General Counsel. Serves in same position in the Cable Services Bureau.

Robert A. Peck, a Deputy Chief, Office of Legislative Affairs. He is Group Vice President, Government Affairs, for The American Institute of Architects.

Patricia Grace Smith, a Deputy Chief of the recently reorganized Office of Public Affairs.

She was the Acting Associate Managing Director - Public Information and Reference Services within the Office of the Managing Director.

An organizational chart of the proposed changes is attached. The reorganization will become effective once formal Commission, Congressional and Union approval has been obtained.

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TAPR to make available ARRL CNC and DC Proceedings

TAPR has arranged an agreement with the ARRL to be the distribution point of past proceedings of the ARRL Computer Networking Conferences and Digital Conferences. This will apply to proceedings that are more than two years old. For example, the ARRL will continue to distribute the 12th (1993) and 13th (1994) proceedings this year, then next year TAPR will begin to distribute the 12th (1993).

In this way, TAPR and the ARRL hopes that these proceedings will be fully available to digitally interested hams. Proceedings should be available from the TAPR office the end of August.

TAPR would like to thank Mark Wilson, AA2Z, and Jon Bloom, KE3Z, for their help at the ARRL with this arrangement.

There has been interest in having many of the papers available in electronic form. TAPR will begin to work on contacting authors for premission to generate computer versions of many of the papers. If you are an author of an ARRL CNC or DC proceedings paper and would like to give TAPR premission to make available your paper electronically, please send e-mail to tapr@tapr.org. If you have the paper in electronic form already, please send that also. More on this project as it forms.

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